

# Wildlife and Natural Environment (Scotland) Act 2011 2011 asp 6

## PART 3

### DEER

#### 26 Deer management etc.

(1) The 1996 Act is amended as follows.

(2) In section 1 (SNH's deer functions)-

- (a) in subsection (1)(a), for "conservation," substitute " conservation of deer native to Scotland, the ",
- (b) in subsection (2)—
  - (i) the word "and" immediately after paragraph (b) is repealed,
  - (ii) after paragraph (c) insert—
    - "(d) the interests of public safety; and
    - (e) the need to manage the deer population in urban and peri-urban areas.".
- (3) In section 3 (power of SNH to facilitate exercise of functions)-
  - (a) in subsection (1)—
    - (i) the word "and" immediately after paragraph (a) is repealed,
    - (ii) after paragraph (b) insert "; and
      - (c) to assist any person or organisation in reaching agreements with third parties,",
  - (b) after subsection (2) insert—
    - "(3) A public body or office-holder issued guidance or advice under subsection (1)(a) must have regard to such guidance or advice in exercising any functions to which the guidance relates.".
- (4) In section 4(1) (appointment of panels), the words ", not exceeding nine," are repealed.
- (5) In section 18(2) (taking or killing at night), for paragraph (a) substitute—

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- "(a) the taking or killing is necessary—
  - (i) to prevent damage to crops, pasture, human or animal foodstuffs, or to woodland; or
    - (ii) in the interests of public safety; and".

#### **Commencement Information**

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